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tended to.

**TERMS FOR ADVERTISING.**  
The undersigned, Proprietors of the two  
Newspapers at Columbus, have mu-  
tually agreed upon the following terms for year-  
ly and other advertising. They will in all cases  
be rigidly adhered to.  
**WORTHINGTON & LESTER,**  
Editors of the Democrat.  
**P. BYRON BARKER,**  
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Advertisements will be inserted at \$1 per  
square (10 lines or less) for the first inser-  
tion, and 50 cents for each subsequent inser-  
tion.  
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The privilege of annual advertisements is  
limited to their immediate business; all adver-  
tisements for the benefit of other persons  
sent in by them, must be paid for by the  
square.  
RESPECTFUL CANDIDATES for office will be  
charged \$10. No name will be inserted unless we  
are specially authorized by some responsible  
person.  
Work must be paid for on delivery.  
Publications of a personal nature will be  
charged double price.

**MAIL ARRANGEMENT.**  
SOUTHERN VIA FLORENCE LOUISVILLE.  
&c.  
DUE—Sundays, Tuesdays, and Fridays,  
at 8 P. M.  
LOSSES—Sundays, Tuesdays and Fri-  
days, at 8 P. M.  
SOUTHERN VIA JACKSON.  
DUE—Mondays, Wednesdays and Satur-  
days, at 3 A. M.  
LOSSES—Saturdays, Wednesdays and  
Fridays, at 7 P. M.  
EASTERN VIA TUSCALOOSA, MONTGOMERY.  
DUE—Sundays, Wednesdays and Fri-  
days, at 7 P. M.  
LOSSES—Mondays, Wednesdays and  
Fridays, at 3 P. M.  
JAMES VIA PICKENSVILLE, GREENSBORO,  
&c.  
DUE—Sundays, Wednesdays and Fri-  
days, at 7 P. M.  
LOSSES—Mondays, Wednesdays and  
Fridays, at 8 P. M.  
MONTGOMERY VIA ABERDEEN, COTTON GIN.  
DUE—Sundays, Wednesdays and Fri-  
days, at 5 P. M.  
LOSSES—Mondays, Wednesdays and  
Fridays, at 8 P. M.  
JACKSON VIA MACON AND DALEVILLE.  
DUE—Mondays and Fridays, at 6 P. M.  
LOSSES—Sundays and Thursdays, at  
8 P. M.  
GREENSBORO (MI.) VIA PLYMOUTH and  
STARKVILLE.  
DUE—Sundays, noon.  
LOSSES—Tuesday, noon.  
HONOLULU, via COLBERT.  
DUE—Sunday, at 6 P. M.  
LOSSES—Tuesday, at 8 P. M.  
MILLPORT, Ala.  
DUE—Thursday, noon.  
LOSSES—Thursday, noon.  
A. C. BURGESS, P. M.

**FRANKLIN & BROTHER,**  
I have just received from New York and  
New Orleans, a fine assortment of Dry  
Goods, Groceries and Hardware, to which  
I invite the attention of my friends and  
public.  
May 22, 36-41

**NOTICE.**  
THE subscriber now occupies the well  
known Public House of entertainment,  
in the town of Hixsville, Leake County, Miss.  
The Robinson Road, formerly occupied by  
G. Allenworth. No pains or expenses will  
be spared for the accommodation of Travellers.  
Designs not to be excelled by any establish-  
ment of the kind, on said Road.  
WILLIAM TABER.  
May 22, 1838.—36-41

**ATTACHMENTS, Affidavits in Attach-  
ment, and Bonds in Attachment on one  
set and very convenient, for sale at this Office.  
Also Bonds and a variety of other judi-  
cial and Attorney's Blanks.  
May 1—53**

**GREEN HILL.**  
COLUMBUS, MISSISSIPPI.  
HAS, in addition to his extensive  
assortment of Drugs  
and Medicines, just received a  
summer stock of every article in  
his line, to which he invites the at-  
tention of Physicians, country Merchants and  
the public.  
Paints, Oil, Glass, Put-  
ter, &c., always on hand. Also, a few  
choice family Groceries, &c.  
May 15—35-41

**C. S. Aikin & Co.**  
Cotton Gin Manufacturers.  
TENDER their thanks to their friends for  
the very liberal patronage they have re-  
ceived during the past year, and respectfully  
trust the public that they have now on hand  
a large stock of the best material to be had,  
single themselves to execute all orders in  
line, with fidelity and despatch.  
Repairing and iron turning done at all times.  
Columbus, May 26, 1838.—35-41

**Notice to Newspaper Publishers.**  
THE Office of the MONTHLY MONTANA  
Census is offered for sale. It is one  
of the most valuable establishments in the  
country. Those wishing to purchase  
should make immediate application.  
The circulation of the paper is very exten-  
sive, and it has a large commercial patronage  
in this city. Editors of papers will please  
send this notice. Applications will be ad-  
dressed to the Editor of the paper.  
May 4, 1838.



## POETRY.

**I'VE THROWN THE BOWL ASIDE.**  
BY CHARLES F. AMES.  
I've thrown the bowl aside,  
For me no more shall flow  
Its ruddy stream or sparkling tide,  
How bright so'er it glow;  
I've seen extended wide  
Its devastating sway,  
Seen Reason yield its power to guide,  
I've cast the bowl away!  
O, ne'er tempt me again  
To drain the cup of sin;  
For ruin dire, disease and pain,  
Taint all that flows within;  
Neglected duties rise  
In fearful, sad array,  
Up to its brim. I will be wise,  
I've cast the bowl away!  
I've seen the pride of all—  
The wise, the good, the great—  
Like summer leaves, all time-worn fall,  
And veil their high estate;  
I've seen fair woman give  
Her every charm away,  
Embrace the demon vice, and live!  
I've cast the bowl away!

My days of revelry  
O gladly I give up;  
They're but the masks of misery,  
Which still lurk in the cup;  
While Indolence and Want  
And Poverty display  
Themselves in every drunkard's haunt,  
I've cast the bowl away!  
A drunkard's gloomy grave  
Shall ne'er be made for me;  
O rather let the rushing wave  
Engulf me in the sea!  
And may it be my lot  
To die "neath Reason's ray!"  
Remember'd by my friends or not,  
I've cast the bowl away!

My path henceforth is plain,  
In honesty to live—  
To shun Intemperance and its train,  
By industry to thrive;  
No duty to forget,  
And live to bless the day  
When I was led without regret,  
To cast the bowl away!

**Miscellaneous.**  
Sh—Why, yes; but I should like to live  
out the week, as I have paid up the rent to  
that time.  
Cl—Is your mind composed?  
Sh—All except one little thing; and  
if I could settle that, I should die easy.  
Cl—Is it any thing that I can do for  
you?  
Sh—I don't know but you can partner.  
Do you know any good carpenter that  
owes about half the price of a good cof-  
fin?  
Cl—Yes.  
Sh—Well, I wish you would get him to  
make me one and I'll make him trust me  
for the half.  
Cl—Had he not better be paid in  
cash.  
Sh—O, no, I'd rather owe him, for it's  
a long time that he has owed us.  
Cl—Just as you say then.  
Sh—Thank you, thank you partner;  
you are the only real friend I have seen  
yet. Farewell—God bless and reward  
you for making the mind of a dying man  
easy.

**DAMNED TINDER.**—The following dis-  
charge is said to have taken place on board  
of a sloop in the north river, between the  
captain and boy:  
Captain—Boy, put a lighted candle in  
the binnacle.  
Boy—The fire is all out sir, and the  
tinder is so wet it will not catch.  
Captain—Throw it overboard, and burn  
some new immediately.  
Boy—Ay, ay, sir.

**A CURIOSITY.**—We were shown a  
beautiful specimen of the ingenuity of birds,  
a few days since, by Dr. Cook of this city.  
It was a bird's nest, made entirely  
of silver wire, beautifully woven to-  
gether. The nest was found on a sycamore  
tree, on the Calcasieu, by Dr. Francis  
Beard, of York county. It was a nest of  
a hanging bird, and the material was  
probably obtained from a soldier's epa-  
ulette, which he had found.—*West Chester  
Village record.*

**BANKS.**  
The Planters' Bank, Natchez, capital  
\$400,000.—James C. Wilkins, presi-  
dent; H. D. Mandeville, cashier. It has  
seven branches. 1. In Manchester, P. E.  
Pope, president; E. J. Pinkerton, cash-  
ier; 2. in Vicksburg, W. L. Sharkey, pre-  
sident; Robert Riddle, cashier; 3. in Port  
Gibson, D. Vertner, president; William  
F. Goodin, cashier; 4. in Woodville, H.  
Connell, president; A. F. Feltes, cash-  
ier; 5. in Monticello, A. Foy, president;  
J. S. Carson, cashier; 6. in Jackson,  
John H. Martin, president; Z. P. War-  
dell, cashier; 7. in Columbus, A. Wier,  
president; W. B. Winston, cashier.  
The Agricultural Bank, Natchez, cap-  
ital, \$30,000; William J. Minor, pre-  
sident; P. P. Merrill, cashier. It has  
one branch at Pontotoc, in the county of  
the same name, Samuel L. Watt, presi-  
dent; W. Goodman, cashier.

The Commercial Bank, Natchez, cap-  
ital, \$2,000,000; Levin R. Marshall, pre-  
sident; Thomas Henderson, cashier. It  
has 4 branches. 1. In Canton, William  
L. Balfour, president; E. F. Brasier,  
cashier. 2. In Brandon, J. R. Harris,  
president; 3. In Holmesville, D. Cleave-  
land, president; 4. In Shieldsborough, P.  
H. Poor, president.

The Rail Road Bank, Vicksburg, cap-  
ital, \$4,000,000; J. M. Taylor, presi-  
dent; Thomas E. Robins, cashier. It  
has a branch at Vernon, which will soon  
go into operation.

The Grand Gulf Rail Road Bank-  
ing Company, capital, \$2,000,000; Sam-  
uel Coburn, president; J. Calender, cash-  
ier. It has one branch at Galatin, Cal-  
ifornia; Thomas B. Adams, president; John  
D. Taylor, cashier.

The Commercial Bank, at Rodney;  
capital, \$800,000; Thomas Freeland, pre-  
sident; John Goodwin, Jr., cashier.  
The Commercial Bank, Manchester;  
M. B. Hamer, president; J. J. Hughes,  
cashier.

The Mississippi and Alabama Rail  
Road Company, Brandon; W. H. Shel-  
ton, president; Z. P. Wardell, cashier.  
The West Feliciana Rail Road Com-  
pany, Woodville, Joseph Johnson, presi-  
dent; William P. Grason, cashier.

The Lake Washington and Deer Creek  
Rail Road and Banking Company, Princeton;  
Z. K. Fulton, president; C. W.  
Munroe, cashier.

**INSURANCE COMPANIES.**  
Natchez Insurance Company, capital,  
\$500,000; Charles A. Lacoste, president;  
Lemuel Pitcher, secretary.  
Protection Insurance Company, Natchez;  
T. Henderson, president; J. Beau-  
mont, secretary.

**COLLEGES.**  
Jefferson College, at Washington, M.  
founded in 1802; C. L. Duboussay, A. M.

**GOVERNMENT OF MISSISSIPPI.**  
A. G. McNutt, Governor.  
Barry W. Benson, Secretary of State.  
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William S. Bodley; 2d, John M. Maury;  
3d, James Walker; 4th, Thomas A. Wil-  
liams; 5th, Thomas S. Sterling; 6th, James  
F. Trotter; 7th, ——— Hullings.

This court has original jurisdiction in civil cases, in which the sum in controversy  
exceeds \$50. For each of the 7 circuits, a judge and attorney are elected quadren-  
nially, from November, 1833.  
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Third, Adams, Franklin, Hancock, Lawrence, Marion, Pike and Wilkinson.  
Fourth, Carroll, Covington, Neshoba, Scott, Simpson and Smith.  
Fifth, Clarke, Green, Jackson, Jasper, Jones, Lauderdale, Leake and Wayne.  
Sixth, Madison, Monroe, Natchez, Neshoba, Oktibbeha and Winston.  
Seventh, Attala, Hinds, Jackson and Rankin.  
Eighth, Bolivar, Coahoma, De Soto, La Fayette, Pontotoc, Tipton, Tishomingo  
and Tishomingo.

**CRIMINAL COURT.**  
John L. Guion, Judge for five river counties below Washington.  
**COURT OF PROBATE.**  
Adams county, 4th Monday in every month. In the counties of Tishomingo, It-  
awamba, Tipton, Chickasaw, Marshall, Lafayette, Pontotoc, De Soto, Tunicola,  
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president and professor of moral sciences;  
C. G. Foshey, professor of Mathema-  
tics and civil engineering; J. J. Wyche,  
A. M., professor of languages; Jacob A.  
Van Hoesen, A. B., principal of prepar-  
atory school. It is richly endowed and  
doing pretty well.

Oakland College, at Oakland, Mi. Rev.  
Jeremiah Chamberlain, D. D. president;  
John Chamberlain, professor of mathe-  
matics; ——— professor  
of languages; Edward Payson, principal  
of the preparatory department;  
Averell, teacher of the English school.  
Mississippi College, at Clinton.—E. N.  
Elliott, A. M., president and professor of  
mental and moral science, &c.; J. W.  
Maxwell, A. B., professor of languages  
and literature; D. M. Elliott, professor of  
mathematics and natural science.

**FEMALE DEPARTMENT.**  
Henry Strong, Sen'r. principal, teach-  
er of ancient languages, &c.; George P.  
Strong, Jr., principal teacher of natural  
science and vocal music; Mrs. Sarah K.  
P. Fales, associate principal, teacher of  
natural science, and polite literature; Mrs.  
M. P. Fales, assistant teacher of natural  
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**WEATHER OF EDITORS.**—The notion  
generally prevails among the patrons of  
a popular journal, that the editor is "get-  
ting rich." It may be instructive to some  
of our good patrons to learn how an ed-  
itor makes his fortune. One case will il-  
lustrate a thousand.

An individual sends us his name as a  
subscriber—postage 25 cents. He sits  
down and calculates when he will get his  
paper—ten days to go, and ten days to  
return—in twenty days he expects to bless  
his eyes with the sight of his newspaper.  
Twenty days elapse but no newspaper—  
he waits patiently five days longer—no  
paper yet; he sits down and writes again;  
postage 25 cents; next day he receives the  
paper, but his second letter has gone, and  
the editor is taxed with his postage. He  
is now a subscriber, and a reader of the  
journal and has cost the editor but 50 cts.

Receives the paper three months, and  
sends up an obituary; postage 25 cts.  
Three months afterwards he changes his  
residence, and postage 25 cts. Receives  
it three months at his new residence, and  
having grown wonderfully wise by nine  
months reading a weekly journal, he con-  
ceives, brings forth, and forwards a "com-  
munication"—postage 25 cts. He is now  
highly gratified that he has become a  
subscriber—looks forward with a mingled  
emotion of impatience and self complac-  
ency to the time when he sees himself in  
print as large as life. The set time ar-  
rives—the mail comes—he is first at the  
office—receives his paper; sketches its  
contents with a palpitating heart; drops it  
in disappointment, and sighs out; no com-  
munication. Another week wears away  
between hope and fear. The mail comes  
again—examines it hastily, then carefull-  
ly, but no communication. This is too  
bad; endurance can bear no longer; he  
throws the paper down in a pet, and de-  
clares bitter things against the editor.

But what is become of the communica-  
tion? Why the fact is, the editor had not  
more than gone half way through his crude,  
senseless effusion, till he very deliberately  
rolled it up and lighted his pipe with it.  
Oh, cruel offences never to be forgiven!  
And in less than six weeks he receives  
from his much injured subscriber a very  
ill natured letter, taking exceptions to the  
character of his paper, but no allusion to  
the late communication—postage as usual,  
25 cts. About two months afterwards  
the editor is in a strait for the needful—  
he goes to the post office, hoping to get a  
remittance—a few third rate exchange pa-  
pers, and a little bank thumb paper look-  
ing letter make up his receipts. With no  
very enviable feeling, he tears it open,  
and it turns out to be the discontinuance  
of his celebrated subscriber, with a noti-  
fication that he is ready to pay when called  
on—postage 25 cents.

Six months elapse and the account of  
the delinquent subscriber is drawn off and  
sent out. In the course of the next six  
months, the agent with much difficulty,  
collects the amount of the expired sub-  
scription \$3, and after retaining it in his  
own hands for some months, he finally en-  
closes it in a letter and marks it double, to  
advertise that there is money in it—pos-  
tage 50 cents. The letter arrives and the  
bill is under par; the broker knocks  
off 25 cents.—the credit is entered in full  
three dollars, and now more than two  
years after our subscriber first introduced  
himself, his name is finally expunged.

And now let us review the transaction  
and see what a handsome speculation the  
editor has made.  
Seven letters from the subscriber, pos-  
tage 25 cents each, \$1 75; one letter  
from the agent marked double, postage  
50 cents, discount on the bill 25 cts, a-  
mount \$2 50; current money received,  
\$2 75; balance of cash received above  
expenditures of the same 25 cts; just a  
bout enough to pay clerks fees and the  
expense of mailing the paper.

Thus has the editor furnished his sub-  
scriber his paper for one year gratis, and  
gained in return his everlasting ill will.  
If editors could only "get rich" with  
a vengeance; three thousand such would  
break down any printing establishment in  
the State.

**INDUSTRIOUS HABITS.**—Professor Ives,  
of New Haven, makes the following in-  
structive reference to the late president  
of the Agricultural Society.  
"He had the largest garden, the best  
culinary plants, and the finest fruits in  
the city, and all cultivated by his own hands.  
This fact will excite surprise, when it is  
recalled that he delivered a lecture  
on his class six days in a week; performed  
the duties of Professor of divinity, and  
superintended the government of the col-  
lege. He demonstrated that an abun-  
dant of delicious fruit might be cultiva-  
ted at a very little expense. He was a  
minute and accurate observer of the hab-  
its and laws of vegetables, and delighted  
in conversation to give or receive instruc-  
tion in horticulture. He infused into his  
conversation music and poetry, and he  
was listened to with delight, even when  
his theme was the cultivation of cabbage.

He taught that the proper time to plant  
fruit trees was in June, when the plant was  
in rapid growth, and the reason was that  
the wound would heal most readily at  
that season. Dr. Dwight was enabled to  
perform so much and so various mental  
labors, by neglecting his constitution by  
exercise in the open air. No one felt  
more strongly the sentiment of the poet:  
"The idler is a watch that wants both hands."  
As useless when it goes as when it stands.  
Want of occupation is not rest.  
A mind unoccupied is a mind distressed.

**A Fool.**—A young clerk in Montreal  
named Wilson, recently killed himself  
by discharging a pistol in his abdomen.  
N. Y. Tribune.

Well now he didn't miss a far, for he  
was evidently trying to blow out his  
brains.

**THE GREAT CUMBERLAND.**—The National  
Road has cost the U. S. Government  
thus far \$9,345,693. It runs through Mar-  
yland, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, and is  
now proposed in Congress to continue it  
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A captain of an East Indian man was  
one evening seated with his cronies in a  
tavern, and was relating some, eventful  
story of his life and adventures, when, at  
the very moment in which he had arrived  
at the climax, and the most interesting pe-  
riod of his tale, his narrative was broken  
short, by a messenger to inform him that  
the wind was fair, the tide favorable, and  
he must immediately go on board. After  
a hasty adieu he set forth and proceeded  
on his voyage. He was absent twelve  
months; and, on his return, his first visit  
was paid to the tavern, where he was cer-  
tain of meeting some of his former associ-  
ates. He was not disappointed; for there  
they were, bound by long continued habit  
and apparently they might have set on  
their respective stools and benches ever  
since our hero had taken his departure.  
We may suppose the congratulation over  
and all natural enquiries satisfied, when  
the captain, with the utmost composure,  
lighted his pipe, and looking round with  
a complacent air, recommenced his story  
of a year old, prefacing it with "Well, as I  
was saying, when I was interrupted."

When the Duke of York (the brother  
of George III.) was sent to sea, Capt.  
Howe equipped his young "revel" in the  
true Portsmouth fashion; the captains of  
the navy then present attended him in their  
boats on board, where they were severally  
introduced to the young midshipman.  
An anecdote is told, which, being highly  
characteristic of the true simplicity of sea-  
men, is not unlikely to have occurred. A  
sailor, standing with some others on the  
forecastle, and observing what was going  
on, whispered his messmate, "I think;  
gentleman an't over civil, as I thinks; look,  
if he don't keep his hat on before all the  
captains!" "Why you stupid lubber!" re-  
plied the other "where should he lay man-  
ners, seeing as how he never was at sea  
before?" (Life of Admiral Earl Howe.)

**INTERCOURSE WITH THE SOUTH.**—The  
recent establishment of a direct and speed-  
y intercourse between the ports of Bal-  
timore and Charleston and Savannah, by  
means of the noble steam packets Geor-  
gia and Palaski, has brought our city into  
an intimacy of intercourse with the  
States of South Carolina and Georgia,  
which, if properly cherished as we trust it  
will, cannot fail to be highly and reciprocally  
advantageous. Under the new ar-  
rangement, these boats made no stoppage  
at the mouth of the Chesapeake, either  
going or returning, and the trips are con-  
sequently made with surprising despatch  
and regularity. We mentioned in Satur-  
day's paper the arrival on the preceding  
night of the Georgia, in the short run  
of fifty hours from Charleston, and we have  
now to state that on Saturday morning  
the Palaski arrived from Savannah and  
Charleston, having accomplished the trip  
from the latter city in the brief space of  
47 3/4 hours.—The packets, it will be re-  
collected depart on different days, an ar-  
rangement which multiplies the opportu-  
nities for travelling, and at the same time  
it removes all apprehension of danger  
from racing. The packets in question  
have been constructed fully as much with  
regard to safety and comfort as to speed,  
and we are satisfied are as fine vessels in  
all respects as the country can boast of.

**Balt. Amer.**  
**TAVERN KEEPING IN TEXAS.**—A gen-  
tleman riding near this city a few days since,  
espied an old soldier by the road side sit-  
ting very contentedly under a blanket  
stretched horizontally across the tops of  
four upright stakes. A candle box was  
before him answering the purpose of a  
table, on which was placed a small jug,  
and the better half of a broken bottle.  
Not understanding the object of all these  
preparations, he stopped to enquire of the  
soldier what he was doing there.—"Keep-  
ing tavern sir," was the ready answer—  
"will you take something to drink?"—*Hous-  
ton Telegraph.*

**ROBBERY OF THE BANK OF THE METRO-  
POLIS.**—This Bank was burglariously en-  
tered on the night of the 26th. The  
thieves entered by the sky-lights and trap  
doors, and forced their way into the book-  
safe, where they found and stole two ma-  
hogany cases of valuable jewels and plate.  
They were unable to penetrate the main  
safe where the money is kept. The value  
of the jewelry and plate taken is very  
considerable, but it is thought, not equal  
to the \$5,000 which our neighbor of the  
Advertiser contrived to get from this same  
bank.

**An amusing caricature** is diverting the  
New Yorkers at this time. It represents  
a "gentleman" (?) walking through Penn-  
sylvania Avenue, with his pockets stuffed  
with pistols—the "mahogany" stocks of  
which are left sticking out—amounting to  
five in number, viz: one in each of the  
side pockets, of his pantaloons, two in his  
bosom, and one in the left hand pocket of  
his unmentionables. Upon the back is  
lashed a blunderbuss or fife; the branch  
of which is seen over the left shoulder.  
In the right hand is the sword drawn from  
its scabbard, the cane part being held in the  
left hand. The right leg is lifted up in the  
attitude of walking, and close to the heels  
of the "gentleman" (?) is a cock Turkey,  
its tail beautifully spread, marching on  
imitating, with great nicety, the cock  
Turkey in front.

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